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FM AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE NIACT 8771

INFO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA IMMEDIATE NIACT

AMEMBASSY MANILA PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE IMMEDIATE NIACT

AMEMBASSY TOKYO IMMEDIATE NIACT

US COAST GUARD WASHDC IMMEDIATE NIACT

DEPT OF DEFENSE WASHDC IMMEDIATE NIACT

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CINCPAC HONOLULU IMMEDIATE NIACT

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TAGS: SENV, PLOS, JA, SN, ID, MY

SUBJ: SHOWA MARU OIL SPILL

REF: STATE 007242

1. IN RESPONSE TO REFTTEL, EMBASSY HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH JAPANESE EMBASSY HERE AND IS TRYING TO CONTACT APPROPRIATE MFA OFFICIAL TO INFORM LATTER OF POSSIBLE USCG INVOLVEMENT IN CLEARANCE OPERATION ON SHOWA MARU OIL SPILL. JAPANESE EMB HAS RECEIVED NO INSTRUCTIONS FROM TOKYO AND ONLY KNOWS THAT REPRESENTATIVE OF SHOWA MARU INSURER IN SINGAPORE HAS ASKED JAPANESE EMB THERE TO SEEK GOJ-USG AGREEMENT TO USE OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COAST GUARD TEAM. NO APPROACH TO GOM IS ANTICIPATED BY JAPANESE

HERE UNTIL INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED FROM TOKYO.

2. WHILE OIL SPILL HAS NOW REACHED MALAYSIAN WATERS, AND MINISTER OF LAW/ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS ISSUED STATEMENT ABOUT NEED FOR COMPENSATION AND JUSTIFICATION MALAYSIAN/INDONESIAN STRAITS POSITION, MALAYSIA IS REALLY PERIPHERAL TO SPILL. WE ASSUME THAT GOM WILL LEAVE IT TO GOI OR GOS TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR FURTHER CLEARANCE EFFORTS. IN ABSENCE GOJ ACTION, WE PLAN ONLY TO INFORM GOM MFA VERY GENERALLY ABOUT POSSIBLE USE OF USCG AIRCRAFT AND TEAM. (IF FLIGHT CLEARANCE NEEDED FOR LATER ON EMERGENCY BASIS SUGGEST THAT NAVAT SINGAPORE CONTACT MALAYSIAN OPPOSITE NUMBER THERE AS MFA VERY SLOW ABOUT SUCH MATTERS HERE IN KUALA LUMPUR. (PARTICULARLY ON WEEKENDS.) ADDITIONAL COMMENT ON GOM REACTION WILL BE REPORTED SEPTEL.
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